

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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| Application No.: | 10/577,244 | Examiner: | David BOLLINGER |
| Filing Date: | April 5, 2006 | Art Unit: | 3653 |
| First Inventor: | Rudolf CHRISTL | Customer No.: | 23364 |
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| For: | APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING SHEET MATERIAL | | |

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION
OF APRIL 28, 2009

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is responsive to the outstanding Office action dated April 28, 2009 in the above-identified application. In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

In the Specification

The specification is amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION.

In the Abstract

The abstract is amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE ABSTRACT.

In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.